

CITY OF HARRISBURG'S CONSOLIDATED PLAN AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

The City of Harrisburg's Consolidated Plan is a five-year strategic plan that sets forth the City's course of action for housing and neighborhood revitalization for the period from October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2015. It also includes an annual plan and application for **FY 2010** funding under federal housing and community development entitlement programs including the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) Program. The federal goal of these programs is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities principally for low and moderate income persons.

SUMMARY OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

To provide decent housing by preserving the affordable housing stock, increasing the availability of affordable housing, reducing discriminatory barriers, increasing the supply of supportive housing for those with special needs, and transitioning homeless persons and families into housing.

To provide a suitable living environment through safer, more livable neighborhoods, greater integration of low and moderate income residents throughout the City, increased housing opportunities, and reinvestment in deteriorating neighborhoods.

To expand economic opportunities through more jobs paying self-sufficient wages, homeownership opportunities, development activities that promote long-term community viability, and the empowerment of low and moderate income persons to achieve self-sufficiency.

PROPOSED ANNUAL PLAN FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2010 (October 1, 2010 -September 30, 2011)

The City of Harrisburg's Annual Plan for Program Year 2010 (October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011) includes the following revenue sources:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program \$2,251,631
HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) \$625,932
Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) Program \$91,268

The City has also included in its budget an additional \$350,000 in CDBG program income and \$20,000 in HOME program income expected from the sale of properties and repayment of loans.

The proposed activities to be undertaken with the above revenue are as follows:

HOUSING

Homeownership Opportunities Program (DBHD) **CDBG: \$600,000**

Acquisition, rehabilitation, management and disposition of 4 single-family properties citywide for sale to low- and moderate-income households.

Home Improvement Program (DBHD) **HOME: \$351,432**

Low-interest loans and grants to 9 low- and moderate-income homeowners for repair of major systems and to address code violations.

H.E.L.P. – Home Emergency & Lead Paint Repair Program **CDBG: \$100,000**

Financial assistance to 20 eligible property owners to address structural emergencies including heating, electrical, or roofs.

Tri-County HDC (Capital Corridors Single-Family Rehabilitation) **HOME: \$100,000**

Rehabilitation of 2 single-family homes within South Allison Hill Census Tract 213, primarily along Capital Corridors: Derry, S. 13th, and S. 17th Streets, to be sold to income-eligible homebuyers.

Tri-County HDC (Community Housing Development Organization Operating) HOME: \$30,000

Financial assistance for operational support including personnel and operating costs.

Habitat for Humanity – Affordable Uptown Neighborhood **HOME \$50,000**

Financial assistance for personnel and operating costs for the construction of 2 homes in 600 block of Woodbine Street to be sold to income-eligible homebuyers.

Gaudenzia Foundation - Delta Community Apartments **HOME: \$50,000**

Funding to continue conversion of 2041 N. 2nd Street into six rental apartments to be utilized by homeless families with children who are of low and very low income and are recovering from substance abuse and/or other co-occurring disorders.

Harrisburg Fair Housing Council **CDBG: \$20,000**

Homeownership counseling services offered to the residents of the City of Harrisburg.

Habitat for Humanity Home Repair Program **CDBG: \$10,000**

Home repair of over 24 low-income households in the City. The Home Repair Program provides labor, materials and education regarding home repair.

Habitat for Humanity Rehab Program **CDBG: \$15,000**

Rehabilitating 1 condemned property on Zarker Street.

Rebuilding Together Rehab Program **CDBG: \$15,000**

Home repairs and modifications to 17-21 low-income elderly, disabled, and families with children.

Firm Foundation of Pennsylvania, Inc. **CDBG: \$15,000**

Rehabilitation of 28 N. 19th Street for returning low-income ex-offenders, persons with disabilities who are homeless or transitioning out of homelessness.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS

Emergency Demolition (DBHD/DPW) **CDBG: \$400,000**

Emergency demolition of 24 vacant, blighted, hazardous structures throughout the City.

Blighted Property Acquisition **CDBG: \$35,000**

Acquisition of abandoned lots throughout the city; fair market value and associated legal costs; funds the activities of the Vacant Property Reinvestment Board; targeted development areas in Uptown and Allison Hill.

Residential Façade Improvement Program

CDBG: \$50,000

Pilot Program to provide assistance citywide to homeowners for façade improvement.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES REHABILITATION

Boys and Girls Club of Central Pennsylvania

CDBG: \$70,000

Funding for improvements and code upgrades to the Club located at 1227 Berryhill Street which include installation of second floor girls locker room; replacement of lighting in small gym and weight room; and replacement of HVAC system.

Heinz-Menaker Senior Center

CDBG: \$30,000

Funding for improvements to the Senior Center located at 1824 North Fourth Street which include roof replacement.

Hamilton Health Center, Inc.

CDBG: \$140,000

Funding to purchase and install consoles in 57 exam rooms and 5 reception areas located at the Center's new facility at 110 South 17 Street.

Camp Curtin YMCA

CDBG: \$20,000

Rehabilitation of facility located at 2135 North 6th Street to include pool upgrades.

The PROGRAM for Female Offenders, Inc.

CDBG: \$10,000

Rehabilitation of facility located at 1515 Derry Street to include replacement of windows, installation of a security system and replacement of carpeting.

Broad Street Market Corporation

CDBG: \$230,000

Financial assistance for the upgrade of the Market's HVAC system.

HOMELESS ASSISTANCE

Christian Churches United/H.E.L.P

ESG: \$41,268

Intake, assessment and coordination of shelter provision for approximately 280 homeless individuals in collaboration with the CACH and the region's CoC.

Shalom House Shelter Operations and Service

ESG: \$30,000

Emergency shelter and case management for 300 homeless women and children in collaboration with the CACH and the region's CoC.

YWCA-Greater Harrisburg

ESG: \$20,000

Operational and case management services to homeless women in collaboration with the CACH and the region's CoC.

***The following organizations made application for funding, but were not recommended: C.H.O.I.C.E. Living, Central Allison Hill Community Center, and Evergreen Partners Housing.*

PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION

Administration:

CDBG: \$459,412 HOME: \$64,500

Administrative costs of the CDBG and HOME programs, including management, reporting, citizen participation, environmental reviews, computerization, loan servicing, labor standards enforcement, affirmative action, minority contracting recruitment, advertising, professional services, and technical assistance.

Section 108 Debt Service

CDBG: \$373,719

Payments on principal and interest of HUD Section 108 loans.

Holistic Hands

CDBG: \$8,500

Financial assistance to assist in developing, implementing and evaluating the "Uptown Community Revitalization Strategic Plan" which will provide strategies, action, timeline, and enhance neighborhoods within the target area.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Annual Consolidated Plan is available to citizens for review and comment. Copies are available by contacting the Department of Building and Housing Development, by visiting the Harrisburg Downtown Library located at 101 Walnut Street, the Kline Library located at 530 South 29th Street or the City's website at www.harrisburgpa.gov. Citizens should submit written comments to Kathy Possinger, Deputy Director for Housing within 30 days, at the address below. Copies of the Five- Year Plan are also available.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

A public meeting will be held on Thursday, June 17, 2010 at 5:45 p.m. in City Council Chambers, Martin Luther King, Jr. City Government Center, 10 North 2nd Street, Harrisburg. Citizens will have the opportunity to make final comments on the Consolidated Plan at this meeting before a committee of City Council.

Additional public meetings will take place:

**June 9, 2010 at 6:00pm - Neighborhood Center
(1801 North Third Street)**

**June 10, 2010 at 2:00pm - YWCA
(1101 Market Street)**

**June 10, 2010 at 6:00pm - John N. Hall Clubhouse
Boys and Girls Club
(1700 Hanover Street)**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT: CITY OF HARRISBURG, DEPT. OF BUILDING & HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (DBHD) Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. City Government Center, 10 North 2nd Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101 Telephone: 255-6480 .TDD: 255-3131

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